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In Re Application of:

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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MANAGING DRIVERS IN A COMPUTING SYSTEM

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☐ Sequence ☐ Design

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing, please find

☒ A Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b).

It is a continuing application, as follows:

☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of prior application number
____/____.

☐ A Design Patent Application (submitted in duplicate).

☐ Request for Nonpublication is attached.

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Including the following:

- ☒ New or Revised Specification, including pages 1 to 28 containing:
- ☒ Specification
 - ☒ Claims
 - ☒ Abstract
 - ☐ Substitute Specification, including Claims and Abstract.
- ☐ The present application is a continuation application of Application No. _____ filed _____. The present application includes the Specification of the parent application which has been revised in accordance with the amendments filed in the parent application. Since none of those amendments incorporate new matter into the parent application, the present revised Specification also does not include new matter.
- ☐ The present application is a continuation application of Application No. _____ filed _____, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of Application No. _____ filed _____. The present application includes the Specification of the parent application which has been revised in accordance with the amendments filed in the parent application. Although the amendments in the parent C-I-P application may have incorporated new matter, since those are the only revisions included in the present application, the present application includes no new matter in relation to the parent application.
- ☐ A copy of earlier application Serial No. _____ Filed _____, including Specification, Claims and Abstract (pages 1 - @@), to which no new matter has been added TOGETHER WITH a copy of the executed oath or declaration for such earlier application and all drawings and appendices. Such earlier application is hereby incorporated into the present application by reference.
- ☐ Please enter the following amendment to the Specification under the Cross-Reference to Related Applications section (or create such a section) : "This Application:
- ☐ is a continuation of ☐ is a divisional of ☐ claims benefit of U.S. provisional Application Serial No. _____ filed _____.

Variable	Mean	SD	Min	Max
Age	38.5	12.5	18	65
Gender	Male	Female		
Marital Status	Married	Single		
Education	High School	College		
Occupation	Manager	Worker		
Income	\$30,000	\$40,000		
Health Status	Good	Fair		
Exercise Frequency	Weekly	Monthly		
Stress Level	Low	High		
Sleep Quality	Good	Poor		
Dietary Habits	Healthy	Unhealthy		
Alcohol Consumption	None	Occasional		
Tobacco Use	Non-smoker	Smoker		
Family Size	2	3		
Work Hours	40	50		
Commuting Time	30	45		
Home Ownership	Owner	Renter		
Neighborhood Safety	Safe	Unsafe		
Access to Healthcare	Yes	No		
Health Insurance	Private	Public		
Chronic Conditions	None	1 or more		
Medication Use	None	Regular		
Healthcare Visits	Annual	Biannual		
Healthcare Costs	\$100	\$200		
Healthcare Satisfaction	Satisfied	Dissatisfied		
Healthcare Access Barriers	None	Transportation		
Healthcare Quality	High	Low		
Healthcare Availability	Yes	No		
Healthcare Affordability	Yes	No		
Healthcare Accessibility	Yes	No		
Healthcare Effectiveness	Yes	No		
Healthcare Safety	Yes	No		
Healthcare Timeliness	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient-Centeredness	Yes	No		
Healthcare Cultural Competency	Yes	No		
Healthcare Language Access	Yes	No		
Healthcare Health Literacy	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Engagement	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Empowerment	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Satisfaction	Yes	No		
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Healthcare Patient Involvement	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Collaboration	Yes	No		
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Healthcare Patient Alliance	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Relationship	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Connection	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Bond	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Link	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Tie	Yes	No		
Healthcare Patient Cord	Yes	No		
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Healthcare Patient Thread	Yes	No		

of the first two years of the life of the child, the first year of life is the most important, and the second year is the most critical.

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- ☐ Signed Statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application.
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ 7 Sheets of Formal Drawings.
- ☒ Drawing view to publish: 6
- ☐ Petition to Accept Photographic Drawings.
- ☐ Petition Fee
- ☒ Two ☒ Executed ☐ Unexecuted Declarations or Oath and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ An Associate Power of Attorney.
- ☒ Two ☒ Executed ☐ Copy of Executed Assignments of the Invention to Microsoft Corporation
- ☒ A Recordation Form Cover Sheet.
- ☒ Recordation Fee to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-3050- \$40.00.
- ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to _____
- ☐ Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Patent Application No. _____
filed _____ in _____ (country).
- ☐ A Certified Copy of each of the above applications for which priority is claimed:
- ☐ is enclosed.
- ☐ has been filed in prior application Serial No. _____ filed _____.
- ☐ Please enter the following amendment to the first sentence of the specification (or create such a sentence): "This application claims benefit of international application No. _____, which was published under PCT Article 21(2) in English."

- ☐ Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 as:
- ☐ an Independent Inventor
 - ☐ a Small Business Concern
 - ☐ a Nonprofit Organization.
- ☐ Diskette Containing DNA/Amino Acid Sequence Information.
- ☐ Statement to Support Submission of DNA/Amino Acid Sequence Information.
- ☐ Sequence listing consisting of pages _____.
- ☐ The computer readable form in this application _____, is identical with that filed in Application Serial Number _____, filed _____. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e), please use the ☐ first-filed, ☐ last-filed or ☐ only computer readable form filed in that application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the computer readable form that will be used for the instant application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing is ☐ included in the originally-filed specification of the instant application, ☐ included in a separately filed preliminary amendment for incorporation into the specification.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☒ Attached Form 1449.
 - ☒ Copies of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are enclosed herewith.
- ☐ A copy of Petition for Extension of Time as filed in the prior case.
- ☐ Appended Material as follows: _____.

☒ Return Receipt Postcard (should be specifically itemized).

☐ Other as follows: _____

FEE CALCULATION:

☐ Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

				SMALL ENTITY		NOT SMALL ENTITY	
				RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
DESIGN APPLICATION				\$165.00	\$	\$330.00	\$
UTILITY APPLICATIONS BASE FEE				\$370.00	\$	\$740.00	\$740.00
UTILITY APPLICATION; ALL CLAIMS CALCULATED AFTER ENTRY OF ALL AMENDMENTS							
	No. Filed	No. Extra					
TOTAL CLAIMS	26- 20 =	6	\$9 each	\$	\$18 each	\$108.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	3- 3 =	0	\$42 each	\$	\$84 each	\$ 0.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				\$140	\$	\$280	\$
ADDITIONAL FILING FEE					\$		\$
TOTAL FILING FEE DUE					\$		\$848.00

☐ A Check is enclosed in the amount of \$_____.

☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of the following fees and to refund any overpayment associated with this communication or during the pendency of this application to deposit account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

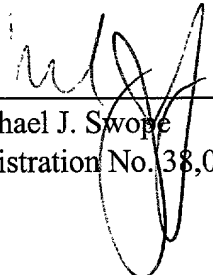
☒ The foregoing amount due.

- ☒ Any additional filing fees required, including fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 or 1.20(d).
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to deposit account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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